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SUBJ: UN PROGRAM BUDGET

1. GUYAHIAN FIFTH COMITE REP (STOBY) PROVIDED MISOFF (STOTTLEMYER) DEC 7 AM COPY OF "WORKING PAPER" FOR OUR COMMENT ON SUBJECT. PAPER IS INTENDED TO BE INTRODUCED AS OMNIBUS DRAFT RES IN FIFTH COMITE UNDER AGENDA ITEM 79 WEEK OF DEC 10.

2. COPIES OF PAPER ALSO PROVIDED TO OTHER DELS INCLUDING MANY MEMBERS OF WEO GROUP. LATTER GROUP INTENDS TO MEET 9 AM DEC 10 TO DISCUSS PAPER. IN MEANTIME SMALL WORKING PARTY OF WEO GROUP PLANS TO MEET OVER WEEK END IN EFFORT TO DRAFT TEXT WHICH WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT VIEWS OF WEO ON SUBJECT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS WELL AS GUYANIAN PROPOSAL. EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO MOLD THE TWO INTO ONE DRAFT RES AND PRESENT REDRAFT TO GYUANIAN REP.

3. TEXT OF "WORKING PAPER" FOLLOWS:

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3043 (XVII) ON THE FORM OF PRESENTATION OF THE UN BUDGET AND DURATION OF THE BUDGET CYCLE,

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HAVING CONSIDERED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PROPOSED PROGRAMME

BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1974/1975 AND MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1974/1977,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY THE CPC IN ITS REPORT ON ITS FOURTEENTH SESSION (E/5364),

TAKING NOTE OF RESOLUTION 1801 (LIV) OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

TAKING NOTE ALSO OF THE VIEWS OF THE ACABQ AS CONTAINED IN ITS FIRST REPORT ON THE PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1974/1975 (A/9008, SUPPLEMENT NO. 8),

CONSIDERING THAT WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF PROGRAMME BUDGETING IT IS THE PROGRAMME CONTENT, PARTICULARLY IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS, WHICH BECOMES THE PRIMARY ELEMENT IN THE PROGRAMME BUDGET DECISION-MAKING PROCESS,

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT THERE IS A NEED TO IMPROVE AND FURTHER DEFINE THE MECHANISMS AT THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL FOR PROGRAMME REVIEW, APPROVAL AND CONTROL,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 2748 (XXV) ON HARMONIZATION AND GROWTH OF PROGRAMMES AND BUDGETS IN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,

NOTING THAT SINCE THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2748 (XXV) THE RATE OF GROWTH OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS HAS BEEN SMALL IN REAL TERMS,

REAFFIRMING THE COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CO-OPERATION AS LAID DOWN IN ARTICLES 55 AND 56 OF THE CHARTER,

RECALLING ALSO ITS RESOLUTIONS IN WHICH IT EXPANDED THE SIZE OF THE ACABQ,

1. REAFFIRMS ITS APPROVAL ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS OF THE NEW FORM OF PRESENTATION OF THE UN BUDGET AND THE INTRODUCTION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF A BIENNIAL BUDGET CYCLE,

2. APPROVES THE PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE UN IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS FOR THE PERIOD 1974/1975 AS CONTAINED IN THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND BUDGET (A/ AND ADDENDA),

3. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMME

OF WORK OUTLINED THEREIN AND TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TWENTY-NINTH SESSION ON ANY IMPEDIMENTS HE MAY FORESEE IN COMPLETING THE PROGRAMMED WORK DURING THE BIENNIUM WITHIN THE APPROVED LEVEL OF RESOURCES;

4. REQUESTS THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL THROUGH THE CPC TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE APPROVED PROGRAMME OF WORK IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS,

5. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN PREPARING HIS MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR 1976/1979 AND PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD 1976/1977 TO ENSURE THAT THE INCREASE IN THE WORK OF THE UN IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS SHOULD BE IN THE ORDER OF NO LESS THAN 3 PERCENT REAL GROWTH PER BIENNIUM,

7. REQUESTS THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL THROUGH THE CPC TO CLEARLY INDICATE THE ORDER OF PRIORITIES TO BE REFLECTED BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN HIS MEDIUM TERM PLAN FOR 1976/1979 AND PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR 1976/1977,

8. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO PREPARE HIM MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR 1976/1979 IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS BY PROGRAMME RATHER THAN BY MAJOR ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT,

9. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN PREPARING THE PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR 1976/1977 TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE VIEWS OF THE CPC, ECOSOC AND ACABQ ON WAYS AND MEANS TO IMPROVE THE FORM, CONTENT AND STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMME BUDGET AND IN PARTICULAR TO (A) ENSURE PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION AMONG MAJOR ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS; (B) PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ALLOCATION OF INDIRECT COSTS TO PROGRAMMES TO WHICH THEY RELATE; (C) PROVIDE INFORMATION ON EXTRA-BUDGETARY RESOURCES BY SOURCE OF FUNDS; AND (D) GIVE RELATIVE WEIGHT IN TERMS OF PERCENTAGES OF EACH PROGRAMME AND PROGRAMME COMPONENT IN RELATION TO THE OTHER,

10. DECIDES TO PLACE ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AN ITEM ENTITLED "REVIEW OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AND EXPERT MACHINERY DEALING WITH PROGRAMMING, ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS".

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4. DRAFT OF PARA PREPARED EARLIER BY WEO WORKING GROUP,
CHAired BY FRG, FOLLOWS:

PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1974-1975
AND MEDIUM TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1974-1977

DRAFT PARAGRAPH FOR INCLUSION IN THE REPORT OF THE FIFTH
COMMITTEE

RECALLING GENERAL ASSEMBLY RES 3043 (XXVII) OF 19 DEC 1972
THE FIFTH COMMITTEE TOOK NOTE OF CHAPTER XXV A OF THE REPORT
OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH AND FIFTY-FIFTH SESSIONS OF THE ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL (OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
TWENTY-EIGHT SESSION, SUPPLEMENT NO. 3 (A/9003)) WHICH
PERTAINS TO QUESTIONS OF PROGRAMME AND COORDINATION AND OF ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RES 1801 (LV) ON THIS SUBJECT CON-
CERNING THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVITIES.
IN RESPONSE TO THIS RES AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RELEVANT
COMMENTS IN THE FIRST REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS ON THE PROPOSED PROGRAMME
BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1974-1975 (OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE
GA, 28TH SESSION, SUPPLEMENT NO. 8 (A/9008) PARAS 9-22) THE
FIFTH COMMITTEE REQUESTS THE SEC-GEN, IN PREPARING FUTURE
PROGRAM BUDGETS, TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT
POSSIBLE, INTER ALIA.

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A) THE CONSIDERATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN PARAS 96 (A) AND (B) OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME AND COORDINATION ON ITS FOURTEENTH SESSION;
B) THE COMMENTS AND PROPOSALS IN CHAPTER XXV A OF THE REPORT OF THE 55TH SESSION OF ECOSOC;
C) THE COMMENTS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS ON THE "INTRODUCTION OF PROGRAMME BUDGETING" CONTAINED IN ITS FIRST REPORT; AND
D) THE COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS MADE DURING THE DEBATE ON THIS QUESTION AT THE 28TH SESSION OF THE GA.

IT FURTHER REQUESTS THE SEC-GEN TO PUT SPECIAL EMPHASIS IN THE FUTURE ON THE PREPARATION OF THE MEDIUM TERM PLAN WHICH SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE CONSIDERATIONS OUTLINED IN PARA 1 ABOVE WHICH SHOULD PROVIDE THE FRAMEWORK FOR THE BIENNIAL PROGRAMME BUDGET AND WHICH SHOULD GIVE A CLEAR AND INTEGRAT PICTURE OF EACH PROGRAMME CONTAINED THEREIN.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT COMMENTS PRIOR TO 9AM DEC 10.
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